Nutritional deficiency among children

1750. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the percentage of incidence of Nutritional deficiency among infants in urban and rural areas of the country;

(b) what are the effects of Nutritional deficiency among infants; and

(c) what steps are being taken to prevent Nutritional deficiency disease?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) Surveys carried out by the National Nutrition Monitoring Bureau/ National Institute of Nutrition of the Indian Council of Medical Research in ten States of the country including rural and urban areas indicate that about 9 per cent of the infants manifest nutrition deficiency signs relating to protein energy, malnutrition ranging from two to four per cent in urban slums and one to three per cent in rural areas. Vitamin A deficiency are found in less than one per cent of infants.

(b) Nutritional deficiency affects the physical growth and can lead to mental retardation.

(c) The measures/programmes initiated to prevent nutritional deficiency disease in various Ministries are as under :—

—Development and promotion of Nutritious foods like Miltone, Energy foods, ready to eat extruded food and weaning foods.

—Fortification of Milk with Vit. A and fortification of salt with iron. (Ministry of Food and Civil Supplies).

—Integrated Child Development Services Scheme which include a major component of supplementary nutrition to children below 6 years, pregnant women and lactating mothers. (Department of Women and Child Development, M/O Human Resource Development).

—Mid-day meal programmes for school going children in the age group 6—11 (some State Governments).

—A Centrally Sponsored Programme of wheat based supplementary nutrition for children upto 5 years of age, pregnant women and lactating mothers, particularly in tribal areas and urban Slums (Ministry of Women and Child Development).

—Prophylaxis Programme to prevent nutritional anaemia in mothers and children and for prevention of blindness due to Vitamin A deficiency. Fortification of salt with iodine to prevent iodine deficiency disorders and promotion of breast feeding during infancy. (Ministry of Health and Family Welfare).

—Nutrition Education Programmes (Several Ministries like Health and Family Welfare, Food and Civil Supplies).

Naturopathy centres in Andhra Pradesh

1751. SHRI GOPALA RAO RAO : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of Naturopathy centres in Andhra Pradesh and of those which are receiving grant from the Central Government;

(b) what are the names of the places where these centres are situated and what is the number of patients treated every year in these centres; and

(c) what is the number of such centres proposed to be set up this year with their location and grants proposed for those centres ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b) A list of the institutions in Andhra Pradesh which received grant-in-aid for study beds/research oriented schemes and training from the Central Council for Research in Yoga and

Naturopathy (CCRYN) is attached. [*See* Appendix CL, Annexure No. 86]. A statement showing the patients admitted under the study bed/research oriented schemes is given in Annexure. [*See* Appendix CL, Annexure No. 86A].

(c) Eight institutions listed in the Statement have submitted applications for financial assistance to the CCRYN. (*See* below). In addition one institution which is already getting grant-in-aid from the Council has applied for extension for one year.

Statement

List of New Schemes:
(Naturopathy)

1. Nature Cure Hospital, Thammedapalli, Warrangal, (A.P.)
2. Sri Laxmi Narasimha Swami, Nature Cure Hospital., Bhongir (A.P.)
3. Nature Cure Health Centre, Karim Nagar, (A.P.)
4. Nature Cure Hospital, Vishakhapatnam, A.P.
5. Kasturba Nature Cure Hospital, Shivrappally (A.P.)
6. Kakatiya Nature Cure Hospital, Warrangal (A.P.)
7. Nature Cure Hospital, Sri Choday Apparow Rao, Prakritik Chikitsalayama, Kakinada (A.P.)
8. Nature Cure Hospital, Yogashraman Chittor (A.P.).

Defence Land in Unauthorised Occupation at Secunderabad Cantonment, Andhra Pradesh

1752. SHRI GOPALA RAO RAO: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the defence land occupied by the land grabbers and unauthorised persons in Secunderabad cantonment, Andhra Pradesh and the total area of land in unauthorised occupation;

(b) the details of the steps taken by Government to get back that land;

(c) the number of applications, representations received, cleared and pending for the excess land exemption at the cantonment area, Secunderabad, during the last three years; and

(d) the reasons for delay in giving exemption certificates to the applicants ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE PRODUCTION AND SUPPLIES IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) Approximately 70 acres of Defence land in under encroachment in Secunderabad Cantonment.

(b) Action has been or is being taken under the provisions of PPE Act, 1971 and Cantonment Act, 1924 to evict the encroachers.

(c) and (d) Since the *UL(C&R) Act came into force a total of 188 applications were received for grant of exemption u/s 20 of the Act. Of these, 157 applications have been disposed of.

Schemes to Provide Employment Opportunities

1753. SHRI SURESH KALMADI: Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are considering schemes to provide more employment opportunities, particularly through the formation of youth cooperatives, in urban areas and labour intensive welfare schemes in rural areas in order to encourage self-employment among the youth;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken to implement the same ?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) to (c) There is no scheme to promote employment opportunities through formation of cooperatives exclusively for youth. How-

*Urban Land (Ceiling and Regulations).